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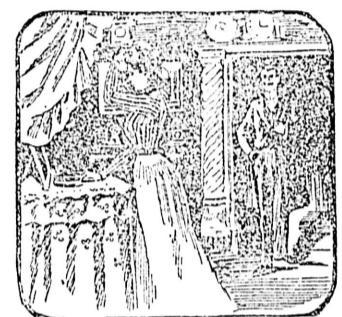
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## Robbers'

### Big Haul

Stole Gold Bricks and Loose  
Gold Valued at  
\$340,000.

Carefully Planned Scheme Which  
Was Successfully Carried Out.

No Trace of the Thieves--Full  
Description of the  
Booty.

Vallejo, Cal., Aug. 6.—Gold bricks valued at \$340,000 were stolen during the night from the Selby smelting works. The robbers evidently had been working on the job for two or three months. They had dug a tunnel from outside the house, beginning with a shaft about three feet deep. Thence they worked underneath the vault and striking upwards bored a hole in the floor. The hole was shaped like the manhole of a boiler. Part of the holes were bored two months ago, it is thought, and the last hole was completed during the night. Through that hole they took the gold bricks and carried them to a bank near the mouth of the tunnel east of the works where they were evidently placed in a boat. In their hurry the robbers left two of the bricks on the bank.

During the night one of the workmen reported to his fellows that he heard a noise in the strong room and decided it was a ghost. The others followed him for his suggestion, but an investigation was made to see what caused the noise. The entrance of the tunnel was covered with a frame over which the employees of the smelter passed repeatedly every day, but no one seemed to notice anything out of the way.

Sheriff Veale, of Contra county, and the chief of police, Sanford, of Vallejo, have been notified, and are now at the works. The police of San Francisco and the Bay cities are at work on the case, but so far there is not the slightest clue to the robbers.

The work was that of skilled men and they elaborately planned and carried out without a hitch. They got all the dirt in the vault, leaving behind only the two bricks which were dropped on the shore. Only one day's accumulation of refined gold was kept at the works. Yesterday's run was unusually heavy and the gold was to have been shipped to San Francisco today.

The tunnel that the robbers excavated was about three feet in diameter and gave them plenty of room in which to work. It is supposed that the dirt from the tunnel was taken out at night and dropped in the bay. First reports stated that the tunnel was two or three hundred feet long, but according to the latest news, was about ten feet in length. The shaft was started close to the wall and was sunk below the foundation, whence it was only a short distance under the floor of the vault. It is thought the men who committed the robbery took their plunder in a lame and made off for San Francisco. There are plenty of places, however, to which they may have gone, either up the Sacramento river or to the shore of any of the numerous bays.

Following is the list of the property stolen:

Four gold bricks, all numbered and containing as follows:

No. 1,236—1,190 ounces and a fraction.  
No. 1,237—3,300 ounces.

No. 1,238—1,123 ounces and a fraction.  
No. 1,239—1,131 ounces and a fraction.

Also 10,000 pieces of gold in various shapes and a little silver.

The gold in the bricks is worth \$20 an ounce.

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One of the officials of the Selby Smelting Works said: "We find the plotters were aided by some one thoroughly familiar with the system employed in the works, and one fully informed as to the construction of the vault. Last night one of the watchmen employed about the premises heard noises inside the vault, and informed his fellows that the devil or ghosts were inside the vault. They laughed at him and made no investigation, and thus the robbers were left unmolested at their work."

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## The Order

### May Change Programme

Possible Effect of Empress  
Frederick's Death on the  
Royal Visit.

Social Ceremonies May be Dis-  
pensed With or Much  
Modified.

Government Getting Ready for  
By-Elections in the Unrepre-  
sented Constituencies.

Ottawa, Aug. 6.—(Special)—Will the death of Empress Dowager Frederick of Germany prevent the visit to Canada of His Royal Highness the Duke of York, and if he does come what effect will the royal bereavement have upon the reception ceremonies in this country? are questions which everybody in Ottawa are asking today.

The probability of the Canadian visit of His Royal Highness being called off entirely, is regarded as somewhat remote. The general impression is, at least in official circles, that as the first shock of His Majesty, caused by the death of his sister, will have been somewhat assuaged by the time his Royal Highness can be communicated with, the King will not interfere with the existing programme so far as to recall the Heir Apparent before he has more than half finished his contemplated tour.

As to the effect of His Majesty's bereavement upon the reception ceremonies in Canada, it is believed there will undoubtedly be a curtailment of the purely social functions, that the military reviews will be dispensed with is not, however, regarded as probable. At all events the militia department, after due inquiry of His Excellency the Governor-General, is proceeding with arrangements for the reception of the royal visitors, as the military programme were to be carried out as originally contemplated. Still until the imperial authorities have been heard from in the matter, there is no absolute certainty upon this point either.

THE BY-ELECTIONS.  
While the government does not likely make an immediate appeal to the electorate in the nine constituencies now unrepresented in parliament, it is learned that instructions have been sent to the King's Printer to have the voters' lists for these electoral divisions printed as soon as possible.

In the case of the constituency of Lisgar, Man., the list for the bye-election there will have to be prepared at Ottawa inasmuch as by a recent amendment to the Provincial Electors act the voters' lists for the election to the legislature are to be made in compliance with the immediate election. There is therefore, no yearly revision of the lists as in other provinces, and the latest list available in Manitoba is now two years old.

Montreal, Aug. 6.—(Special)—Speaker Bourdelle received this morning the report of Chief Justice Kilian on the Lisgar contested election case, and issued his warrant to the Clerk of the Crown in Chancery for a new election. It is believed no by-elections will take place until October.

AN APPEAL FOR O'BRIEN.  
Counsel for George O'Brien, the Dawson murderer, who is under sentence of death, are trying to have the cabinet reconsider the case.

FINANCIAL PANIC.  
German Bank Insolvent and Milling  
Companies Bankrupt.

Berlin, Aug. 6.—Today's despatches from various parts of Germany show that the financial and industrial crisis is spreading. The Rhinehain Immobillen Bank of Cologne has been declared insolvent, and the calico mills of Ehrenberg and Richter, in Ellenburg, have suspended. Nothing has yet been published regarding their respective liabilities. Dr. Violin, chairman of the overseers of the machinery factory in Werndau, has been arrested. Two of the directors are wanted under suspicion of having forged checks.

LOOKS LIKE  
A MURDER.  
HEADLESS TRUNK OF A SMALL  
MAN FOUND AT ENTRANCE TO  
Vancouver Harbor.

OPINION THAT IT IS ONE OF THE  
JAPANESE MURDERED BY  
STRIKERS.

Vancouver, Aug. 6.—(Special)—The headless body of a man has been found outside the Narrows about a mile and a half west of the waterworks. The body was in a fair state of preservation, but has not yet been identified. There was but ten cents in the pockets of the clothings and no papers.

Those who hold the theory that the two Japanese missing since the night of the marooning of the Japanese during the strike on the Fraser, were murdered by strikers, have had that theory greatly strengthened from the fact that the head has every indication of having been severed from the body, and there is a gash on the shoulder close to the neck, evidently made with a sharp instrument.

The body is small, not much over five feet in length, and the feet are small. Evidently the dead man was a Japanese. Campbell was informed of the finding in the hours this afternoon, and at once went to the spot and had it removed to an undertaker's. An inquest will be held tomorrow.

## INDIANS ACQUITTED.

Vancouver, Aug. 6.—(Special)—The Indians charged with cutting and stealing a Japanese net, were acquitted yesterday. There not being sufficient evidence in Magistrate Alexander's opinion to commit them for trial. Their defense was that the net got foul of their own oars and they cut it away, and were not able to find the owner.

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Two Extensive Grass Fires and  
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Last night about 11 o'clock as Mr. E. A. Harris was sitting in his studio in the Five Sisters' block, he noticed smoke issuing from the roof of Spencer's Arcade and quickly sent in an alarm, which the fire department promptly answered. But for the alacrity displayed by Mr. Harris and the fire department, there is no doubt but that there would have been a disastrous fire, instead of one in which the loss will not amount to more than \$25, as far as could be seen last night. The fire was burning between the asbestos roof and ceiling, some tattered paper used in the construction of the roof being on fire and causing a dense smoke. Although the whole department responded to the general alarm, Chief Watson decided to use only the chemical engine, so that there was no loss from water. The chemical did its work well, and in a few minutes what appeared to be a serious fire was under control. How the fire started is a mystery. It was burning just over the room occupied by Skene Lowe, the photographer. Considerable smoke gathered in the Arcade, but it is not thought that it had caused damage to the goods.

Mr. Spencer desires to return thanks to the chief and the fire department for their promptness in turning out to the fire, and for their excellent work in extinguishing the same so speedily, and with so little damage. Mr. Spencer also wished to forward them a check for fifty dollars.

Owing to the destruction of a small bridge on the Elbow branch of the C. P. R., no one has reached the Granby smelter from Phoenix during the past two days.

The government is building a wagon bridge across the north fork, nine miles above Grand Forks.

The coal oil experts have started sinking the shaft on Joe Ward's ranch.

Quicksilver has recently been giving them some uneasiness.

General von Ron, the French commander, and his staff have departed and the French troops are leaving.

Collisions Between Strikers and Non-Union Men.

Sam Francisco, Calif., Aug. 6.—As a result of the strike throughout the city, several assaults upon non-union men occurred today. Samuel Celeste, a teamster, was shot in the breast by Henry Davis, a non-union teamster, with Davis who drew a revolver and shot him. J. Watt, a non-union teamster, when going to work, was met by a union man who tried to dissuade him. On Watt's refusal the union man struck him in the neck with a stone. Watt drew a pistol and shot at his assailant. Watt was watching the man run when two shots were fired by some one in the crowd on the other side of the street, at Watt. The bullets narrowly missed Watt's head.

Halifax, N.S., Aug. 6.—Corps. Goulding, of the Royal Canadian Regiment, was taken with cramps while bathing at Macdonald's Island last night and was drowned.

London, Aug. 6.—A large motor car crashed into a trailer on the Southbank Electric line last evening. The trailer was dashed to pieces and the passengers in it badly bruised. George Loveless, of this city, had his body badly crushed, and an old man named Samuel Braden had one rib broken.

Stratford, Aug. 6.—(Special)—James Ballantine, elder brother of Hon. Thos. Ballantine is dead; aged 78.

Guelph, Aug. 6.—(Special)—William Phillips, a well-to-do farmer in Erin, near Guelph, committed suicide on Monday. He tied a rope around his neck and jumped from a bridge of hay. He was only absent a few minutes and scarcely dead when the body was discovered with the feet nearly touching the barn floor. He was about 70 years old.

Richmond, Aug. 6.—(Special)—The 3-year-old daughter of Mr. C. Boyer was scalped to death this forenoon by falling backwards into a pile of hot water.

Halifax, Aug. 6.—(Special)—At Westchester, Chelmsford county, on Sunday, Jacob E. Purdy, aged 54, committed suicide by drowning in an unused well in an outbuilding at his father's home.

Edwin Potter, aged 11, was drowned at Annapolis on Saturday, while bathing. The mother of the boy was drawn up almost the same spot ten years ago.

Sunday afternoon a funeral service will be held in the presence of the family of the deceased and a few friends and other privileged persons.

It is expected here that King Edward will be present.

The royal family will go to Potsdam Sunday evening and the body will be taken there Monday evening. The funeral service in the mausoleum at Friedenskirche, Potsdam, will be held on Tuesday. As it was the Empress' wish that there should be no state ceremony, the service will not be attended at all by the German royal personages. It will be as simple as possible. Emperor William has received a telegram of sympathy from the Pope.

Toronto, Aug. 6.—(Special)—John Mallard, for many years assistant master at Upper Canada college, retiring "rarely" position in 1891, died last evening at Blackburn, England, where he had gone to pay a visit to a sister. Deceased was aged 73 years and was very widely known and respected throughout the province.

VANCOUVER'S AMBITION.

Proposal to Hold a World's Fair—Appeal for Fishermen.

Vancouver, Aug. 6.—(Special)—Mr. McNeicoll, general manager and general manager of the C. P. R. is in Vancouver. In an interview, Mr. McNeicoll stated that the roadbed of the C. P. R. he found in excellent shape, and this fact was demonstrated by his speech train heading the Imperial Limited. Some trouble had been caused over the trackmen's strike, but the trouble was not serious, as instead of the earnings of the road decreasing for July, they had increased very substantially. Mr. McNeicoll will be interviewed while he is here by a committee of citizens regarding the holding of a world's fair in Vancouver somewhere in the vicinity of Granville Beach. The entire scheme depends upon substantial aid from the C. P. R. Mr. McNeicoll leaves for Victoria tomorrow.

The portion of the McKinnon mines at Bridge River for a large sum to a New York firm is still in abeyance, but there is reasonable hope of its still going through.

A petition is being circulated to the Attorney-General praying him to discontinue the prosecution of the fishermen arrested for illegal acts on the Fraser river during the strike.

PHOENIX, B. C., Aug. 6.—(Special)—Jesse Moore, who does not recommend Jesse Moore's whisky if they don't know it to be the best in the market.

CONDENSED DESPATCHES.

The San Francisco sand steamer has joined the strike.

The Selby smelter at Walligo, California, was robbed of \$250,000 worth of gold.

The New York Chinese Reform Association calls on all good Chinamen to cut off their queues.

4.—(Special)—Heaton credits Canada with taking the initiative in establishing penny postage and the Pacific cable.

The temperature at Ashcroft and Kamloops varied from 110 to 120 degrees on Sunday.

Six persons were killed by the gasoline explosion in Philadelphia, and about 50 seriously injured.

California wine growers will ask the United States congress to increase the duty on condensed milk, now 20 per cent ad valorem.

The Whitewater will resume this month with a full force of men. The property has just completed an 800 foot shipment of ore to the Trail smelter.

Nelson, B. C., Aug. 6.—The Valentine group at Four Mile creek in the Slocan including the Freeport, the Freehope and the Freemont, is being developed with encouraging results. Two parallel veins are exposed, one five and the other ten feet in width, both of which are true fissures and lie in the granite formation. A considerable amount of work has already been performed on the claims, and on the five foot ledge these tunnels have been driven. This vein contains a pay streak varying in width from one to six feet and has already been traced a distance of 800 feet. Assays from the one give an average of 240 ounces to the ton.

It is a silver ore carrying gray copper and chlorides of silver. Some specimens have been found that assay into the thousands of ounces. A pack trail is being constructed by the government, which will pass within a short distance of the property, and when it is completed the owner will ship at once, as he has a large amount of ore already on the dump.

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DR. J. A. ARMSTRONG, DOMINION VETERINARY SURGEON FOR THE Kootenays, ARRIVED IN THE CITY LAST EVENING FROM THE SLOCAN, WHERE HE HAS BEEN FOR THE LAST WEEK FIGHTING AN EPIDEMIC OF GLANDERS.

THE DISEASE MADE ITS APPEARANCE AMONG THE HORSES OWNED BY WILLIAM WARDEN, A SLOCAN CITY DRAYMAN. FIVE OF THE HORSES WERE Affected, AND TWO OF THESE DIED FROM THE DISEASE. DR. ARMSTRONG ORDERED THE DESTRUCTION OF THE OTHER THREE TO PREVENT THE SPREAD OF THE TROUBLE. HE THEN TREATED AND DISINFECTED ALL THE STABLES IN THE CITY, AND IT IS BELIEVED THAT THE OUTBREAK HAS BEEN STAMPED OUT.

Rossland Miner.

FRED GOLDING.

By his Attorney, Simon Lefler.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

CHAS. T. Dally & Co., vs. the B. C. Market.

Pursuant to a writ of execution issued

herein, I, will sell at my office Bastion Square, Victoria, on Friday, 9th August, 1901, at 2 p.m., one metal desk suitable for advertising purposes, On view at my office till day of sale.

J. E. McMillan, Sheriff.

August 6, 1901.

THE VICTORIA DAILY COLONIST, WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 7, 19

*The everlasting topic  
Blue Ribbon Tea  
Are you drinking it?*

## Empress Arrives From Orient

Brings News of Great Loss of  
Life by Floods in  
China.

Many Notable Passengers--The  
Queen City Returns From  
West Coast.

Many Oriental liners will come and go this week. Yesterday morning the N. Y. K. liner *Bijou Maru*, with the pioneer Japanese master, sailed for Japan and China, carrying 10,000 feet of lumber and nine saloon and a score of steerage passengers. Last night the Empress of Japan arrived, and today the Australian liner *Moana* and N. Y. K. liner *Izumon Maru* are due, the former from Honolulu, Brisbane and Sydney, and the latter from Oriental ports.

R. M. S. Empress of Japan, which reached William Head on her fifty-second voyage about 10:30 p.m. yesterday, after crawling along the fog in the Straits--having passed Capuchin Point at 2:30 p.m., brought in all 130 saloon passengers, including a large number of military and naval men, who are returning from the theater of the recent disturbances in China, many well known officials and the usual coterie of tourists. One of the best known passengers was Major-General Gaseigne, military commanding of Hongkong colony, who, accompanied by Mrs. Gaseigne, arrived from Hongkong en route to the Rockies to recruit his health after the arduous of the recent campaign, in which Major-General Gaseigne, although removed from the scene of war, was hard worked for Hongkong was one of the chief British depots. Major-General Gaseigne was formerly commanding officer of the forces in Canada.

Major-General A. J. Reid--Fighting Reid--like fellow-officers knew him, arrived from Tien Tsin where he won fame by seeing that the Russians did not over-step their limits during the trouble at the Tien Tsin siding some months ago. Capt. Ivor Phillips, Lieut. S. G. Loch, Capt. H. M. Elliott, Capt. G. H. Griffith, R. E., Capt. A. K. Rawlings and several others were also included in the "service men" home from the wars. Lieut. Loch brought a rifle bullet with his at a watch charm which entered his leg in South Africa before he was despatched to China. According to these officers the foreign forces, with the exception of those actually required, are to be withdrawn from China by the middle of August. The total force remaining will not exceed two thousand men of all ranks.

SERVICE FOR JAVA.  
Possibility of a Steamer Line Being Established Between Dutch Indies and This Coast.

There is now a tramp steamer service between Java and British Columbia, one steamer arriving every few months with sugar for the British Columbia Sugar Refinery, the Crusader being now on the way, and there is a prospect that a regular line will be established between the west coast of America and the British Columbia. Sugar manufactured is an importer of considerable weight, it may be that British Columbia will made a calling point of the new line.

United States Consul Baird, writing from Batavia, says, in part: "The Koninklijke Paketvaart Maatschappij (Royal Packet Company), of this place, proposes to open a steamship line between Java and the west coast of America, calling at Chinese and Japanese ports.

Negotiations between this company and the Netherlands colonial office in relation to amount of subsidy to be allowed by the government have been going on for more than month. The company, however, is not yet prepared to start this line. The question arises whether the ships will obtain sufficient cargo at the American, Chinese and Japanese ports to make it pay."

ACCIDENT TO VICTORIAN.

Vancouver, Aug. 6--(Special).--The steamer Victorian broke her main steam pipe, which connects the boiler with the engine, at 12 m. yesterday, and was unable to move at Seattle. It was repaired, but now is unable to start, so as to bring cattle here for Skagway today. She abandoned her northern trip and left this evening under slow steam for Seattle.

MARION NOTES.

Steamer *Umarilla*, which was scheduled to leave San Francisco on Tuesday for this port, has been delayed by the strike and will not leave until tomorrow.

Steamer *Boscowitz* sailed for Nans and way ports last night and will sail again at 8 p.m. The Rosalie goes on the morning schedule, arriving at 6 a.m. and leaving again at 9 a.m.

A SUBMARINE TERROR.

Wonderful Exploits of the Italian Torpedo Boat, Delfino.

The Italian navy department as a result of the experiments last week, makes claim to possessing the finest submarine vessel in the world. The experiments, which were conducted at Spezia, will have to be taken on trust, for only Italian naval officers were permitted to be present, and it is stated that the actual working crew of the submarine boat was composed for the occasion of members of distinguished rank in order better to guard the secrets.

Engineer Alibrizi however, stated that the submarine boat Delfino traversed at good speed under water the whole Bay of Spezia and launched a torpedo against the side of the armored Varese, despite the fact that the latter had been warned to expect an attack.

The Delfino is fitted with an apparatus invented by Alibrizi by which it is said the range of vision is extensive and photographs can be taken under water for a distance of a 100 yards.

TO SWIM NIAGARA RAPIDS.

A Woman Says She Will Go Through September 25th.

A Niagara Falls despatch says: Cora Beckwith, of Buffalo, declares in apparent sincerity that she intends swimming the Niagara River, the world's greatest waterfall, for the purpose of getting a load of coal at the British Columbia collieries; where a vessel of the California's size, holds, there is great expense attached to the business. The California will take about 2,500 tons of coal in her bunkers. This may be obtained right at the British Columbia collieries, to that port to the fact that they can coal cheaper and better at the British Columbia collieries. The steamer California is the first of the service and she will arrive at the local collieries next week, and after loading 2,500 tons of coal, will go to Seattle to take what freight is bound to the islands, sailing from Seattle on August 20. 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Victoria Clearing House.—The totals of the Victoria Clearing House for the week ending August 6, were \$876,323, balances \$180,406.

New Members.—At the regular meeting of Ivy Lodge, Daughters of Ruth, on Monday evening, two new members were initiated and three applications were received. The lodge is in a flourishing condition.

Small Change.—There was received yesterday at the Dominion Government Savings Bank \$58,000 in small coins, from 5 to 50 cent pieces. They came direct from the mint in London in boxes weighing 120 pounds each.

New Road.—Work is progressing steadily on the new road from the North Dairy Farm to Cordova Bay, but it will be next spring before it is in any condition for travel, as it will take a winter's rain to pack the gravel. The new road will make a difference of about two miles between the city and Cordova Bay.

Good for Crops.—The present warm weather is just what the farmers wanted for their crops, which, although a little late, never looked better. The past few days have made a vast difference in the grain, which will now be about ready for harvesting. In some sections the crops are said to be extremely heavy.

Basket Missing.—Picnickers returning from Oak Bay last evening left a basket, containing table-ware and other articles, at the corner of Yates and Government streets by mistake. When they missed it in returned, but the basket had vanished. The finder will oblige by leaving it at the Colonist office.

Douglas Street Improvements.—Dough Street property owners, who are interested in the proposed improvements between Pandora and Cormorant streets, held an informal conference with a committee of the city council yesterday. The discussion lasted for some time, and it was decided to consider a proposition to be laid before the parties at a future meeting.

Expensive Fun.—In the provincial police court yesterday Alfred Scott and Fred Jackson, seamen of Esquimalt, were charged with creating a disturbance in the naval village. They were fined \$25 each, or in default ten days in jail. The two men amused themselves by breaking a window in a Chinese washhouse.

Civic Debentures.—The finance committee of the city council met after the regular meeting of the council on Monday evening to consider the tenders for the debentures advertised by the city. The bids, all from local people were the highest, it is said, that were ever received for the debentures of this city. A special meeting is expected will be called to deal with the tenders.

Permanent Officers.—The Eleventh League of the Metropolitan Methodist church held their monthly consecration meeting on Monday night at the close of which a business meeting was held. It might be mentioned that, in connection with the receipt of the resignations of the first, third and fourth vice-presidents, that the appointments made to these positions on the 6th of May were not temporary, but permanent, and are to re-consider: First vice-president, Mr. Court; third vice-president, Mr. Charlton; fourth vice-president, Mrs. Siddall.

Former Victorian.—The police are endeavoring to locate Wm. P. Lindley, who disappeared from the Puget Sound navy yard on the morning of July 17, says the Seattle Times. When Lindley left the yard he took with him but a few personal effects. He told his friends he was ill and was going to his home in this city. He resided at 510 Ninth avenue. He has not been seen since, and his wife has requested the police to assist her in locating him. Lindley is 43 years of age. Lindley was a resident of Victoria for a number of years, being attached to the staff of the now defunct Standard, and was afterwards on the Times.

Change in Staff.—Mr. Brown, of the North Ward school, has resigned. The rumor that Mr. Willis, of the staff of the Boys' Central school, had accepted an appointment in New Westminster is incorrect. Mr. Willis will remain on the Victoria staff for the ensuing year, and will probably be asked to teach for the present in the High school. At the board meeting this evening two appointments will therefore have to be made, to succeed Mr. Brown, and the other to fill the temporary vacancy in the graded school staff, caused by the previous translation of Mr. Willis to the High school.

Old Women's Home.—The following donations are gratefully acknowledged at the Home for Aged and Infirm Women for the month of July: Mrs. H. D. Hincken, strawberries, cake, sandwiches and tarts; Mrs. McCullock, raspberries and flowers; Mrs. Hamilton, oranges and cake; Mrs. Becker, rhubarb, eggs and preserves; Mrs. Higgins (florist), flowers; Mrs. Hayes, coal oil; Mowatt &amp; Wallace, strawberries; Mr. Sharp, laying carpet; Mrs. G. Leiser, blouses and dress gowns; Mrs. Culham, cough medicine and candy; Mrs. McLean, cake; Dr. Holt, bedding curtains; Mrs. McMillan, scenes; Mrs. Gould, shoes; Old Men's Home, vegetables; Mrs. Waitt, cash \$5.00; Tins and Colonist daily papers.

At Tacoma—in the programme for the loggers and miners' day of the Tacoma Elks' carnival, August 23, a log-rolling contest will take place in the forenoon. A falling contest and a bucking contest will also be given. The falling contest will be with two saws, and the bucking contest with a crosscut saw. First and second prizes are to be given. In the afternoon a shinny match will be played for lovers of contests of this character. Cash prizes and a lot of fine tools will be offered for these contests. The saws that will be given as prizes have been donated by the Atkins Saw Company, Diston &amp; Sons and the Simonds Manufacturing Company. A number of special prizes for miners have been offered. They include prizes for the tallest, the shortest, the heaviest and the lightest miner.

PLEASES THE RANGERS.

Members of the Rossland militia company are much interested in the suggestion that the regiment of which they form a unit, the Rocky Mountain Rangers, should be taken to the coast to participate in the ceremonies attending the approaching visit of His Royal Highness the Duke of Cornwall and York.

To the present time the R.M.R. has had little or no way of official recognition or encouragement, and the recognition of their existence in this way would do much to enhance the service popular.—Rossland Miner.

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Victoria, B.C.

**To Purchase****The Britannia**Deal For Purchase of the Mine  
To Be Consummated  
Today.Purchasers Will Erect Smelter  
And Reduction Works.

A deal is pending, and likely to be consummated today, for the sale of the Britannia group of mines on Howe Sound. During the past three days gentlemen from some of the mining centres of the Western States, representing, or connected with, the larger copper producing interests of the United States, have been in the city consulting with Mr. Boscozitz and other owners of the Britannia group of mines on Howe Sound and negotiations for the purchase of the property are nearing completion.

Nothing has been given out as yet regarding the price to be paid for the mines, but the most prevalent rumour is that the price will be to give half a million dollars for every tenth of a mile of property. However, this is but rumor, and it will not be until the interested parties made a statement in this regard that the price paid for the property will be known.

It is understood that the purchase of the copper property on Howe Sound will mean much for British Columbia mining interests, those of the islands in particular, for there is every reason to believe that a smelter and reduction works will be erected and the ore will be only crudely treated at the mine and then brought to the location of the smelter and reduction works, which are in all probability, to be erected on the island, at "the cross roads of commerce."

A brief interview with the gentlemen involved in the large deal for the purchase of these mines, elicited the following information in regard to the deal. Having thoroughly investigated the copper properties of Howe Sound they were making negotiations for the property with fair prospects of a successful conclusion, by which ample capital for the complete development and equipment of the properties, and their operation on a large scale will be provided. At present the location of the required reduction works has not been decided, but from the trend of things, it looks as though the island will be favored, for many reasons.

In discussing this matter one of the principals said: "We propose, if this deal is consummated to make this undertaking one of the leading industrial features of British Columbia, strictly an "all Canadian enterprise." It is understood that ore treatment facilities to be provided will be on a scale fully equal to all requirements. The ore is now being sent to the United States for reduction.

MUST BE APPROVED.

Telegram from Ottawa in Reference to the Royal Visit.

A telegram has been received at Government House in reference to the royal visit as follows:

Ottawa, Aug. 6, 1901.

Lieut.-Governor of British Columbia:

I am commanded by His Excellency the Governor-General to request that you will kindly inform me of any arrangement which His Excellency has received, no programme for Their Royal Highnesses' reception can be approved without His Excellency's official sanction.

MAJOR MAUDE.

The Lieutenant-Governor is expected to return today from his cruise on the Quadra.

YESTERDAY'S FUNERALS.

Last Sad Rites Over Remains of Two Victorians.

The funeral of the late Isaac Lanigan took place yesterday afternoon from the family residence, No. 171 Cook street, at 2:45, and at 3 o'clock at St. Barnabas' church. Services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Miller at the church and grave. The following gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: Messrs. W. R. Wilson, W. Holmes, W. Rockett, D. McDonald, W. Hearn and G. McCann.

The funeral of the late Mrs. D. D. Moses took place yesterday morning from the home of W. J. Hanna, at 30 Victoria street, and at 2 p.m. at North Saanich cemetery, when Rev. Mr. Christmas conducted appropriate services. There was a large attendance of old acquaintances, and the following gentlemen acted as pall-bearers: Messrs. J. T. McMillin, J. D. Bryant, S. Roberts, T. Mitchell, D. Irvin and J. J. Downey.

MEDICAL SCIENCE ADVANCES.

It is not more than a century ago that physicians considered a surgical operation with its risk, expense and pain as the only cure for piles. Today it is not the out-of-date doctors that think of such treatment. It is skill and extravagance to operate for piles, which is far more common and easily cured by the application of Dr. Chase's Ointment. You may be skeptical, but for proof you are referred to tens of thousands of cases that have been cured by this famous preparation.

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FRIENDLY HELP.

Resolution of Sympathy With Mayor Hayward and Family.

The monthly meeting of the Friendly Help society was held yesterday at their rooms, City Market, when the usual reports for the month were received. During the meeting a resolution was passed that the amount of money to be given to the Royal Visit should be increased.

The Hon. President Miss Perrin occupied the chair, and as soon as the meeting was opened the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"The Friendly Help Association desire to express their deep sympathy with His Worship the Mayor and his family in their sad bereavement, and they wish to place on record their high appreciation of the faithful work done by their late beloved president in the interest of the association."

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CASES WITH DRAWN.

Trading Stamp Cases at Last Struck From the Police Court Register.

The city solicitor yesterday withdrew the informations charging the Dominion Trading Stamp Company with refusing to pay the heavy license imposed on trading stamp companies and against the B. C. Market Company for refusing to pay a similar tax imposed on firms using trading stamps. The cases have been pending in the police court for months awaiting a decision of the magistrate to try such a charge against incorporated companies. Should the decision be in favor of the city it is possible that the charges will be revived.

The information charging Thomas Alexander with having more than six cows inside the city limits was also withdrawn yesterday, the city solicitor being dissatisfied with the admissions made by the defendant on the opening of the case. He will lay a new information and proceed to call all the evidence obtainable as to the condition of the premises complained of, and also as to the neighborhood.

INTERMISSION OF TEN MINUTES.

PART II.

March.—"British Party".....Seenton.

Overture—"Fra Diavolo".....Auber.

Waltzes—"Casino Tanze".....Gungl.

Popular Selection—"A Bunch of Hits".....Chattaway.

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Intermission of ten minutes.

PART III.

Grand Fantasy—"Robert Bruce".....Bonniusse.

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(a) Descriptive Poem—"The Post Horn" (by request).....Schaffer (Obligato for corner, Bandsman W. V. North.)

(b) Giglet in B flat—"Darkies' Revels".....Loring.

7. Popular Selection—"The Crazy Quilt".....Pinn.

8. Cake Walk—"Unbeaten

## SPORTING NEWS

The second championship league baseball game of the season takes place at Oak Bay Park next Saturday afternoon between Nanaimo and the Victorias. This game should be one of the best of the season, as there is no doubt whatever of the ability of the Coal City team, which next to Vancouver has won the most games in the league series. They have the glory of being the only nine in the province that have defeated the Vancouver team this season. In their game with Victoria last June they were unfortunate enough to be defeated by the close score of 4 to 3. Since then they have been considerably strengthened, and they will no doubt give the local nine the hardest brush of the season. Much depends on this game, for should Nanaimo win, they will secure second place in the league; if they lose, they will be in the place with Victoria.

The local nine has not at any time this season practised as hard as they are now doing for Saturday's game, being determined to get second place in the league. Saturday will also be somewhat of a gala day at the Oak Bay grounds, being, as it is, the first "Ladies' Day" ever held at a ball game in Victoria, if not in the province.

"Ladies' Day" is extremely popular in the large Eastern cities, and it is to be hoped that the fair sex of Victoria will follow the example of their Eastern sisters and turn out in full force and make the first "Ladies' Day" a huge success.

There will be no charge for ladies at the gate or grand stand.

## TOURNAMENT INTERRUPTED.

Southampton, Aug. 6.—Because of the snow and wind which was little less than a gale, which swept over the courts of the club this afternoon, no further progress was made in the tournament than was completed in the morning. Four more matches remained in the first round, and Judge Howeland, chairman of the committee of the tourney, has decided that they be played tomorrow morning as the contestants defaulted.

## SHE DIDN'T KNOW.

One of the amusing incidents of a cricket match at Nelson, was the action of an elderly lady, who apparently oblivious to the fact that a game was in progress on the recreation grounds, walked deliberately through the players and over the crease, amid the cheers and laughter of the players and spectators.

## LEAGUE GAMES.

Toronto—Toronto, 1; Brockton, 3. Baltimore—Boston-Baltimore game postponed on account of rain.

## TOWNS AT RAT PORTAGE.

Rat Portage, Aug. 6.—Towns, the Australian sculler, accompanied by his trainer, Sullivan, and Pierce, another oarsman, arrived this morning. The station platform was crowded with members of the Rowing Club and citizens generally, who gave them a warm welcome. After their four boats were unloaded, they were escorted to the Rowing Club, where the two contestants met for the first time. When the visitors were shown the course they appeared delighted with it. Their boats will be rigged up today, and Towns will take his first spin on Lake of the Woods tomorrow.

## SPORTING NOTES.

The Victoria West and James Bay junior lacrosse teams will play at the Caledonia grounds on Saturday afternoon.

## OVER A MILLION WORDS.

Taken in Evidence by Commission On Chinese and Japanese Immigration.

The evidence taken before the royal commission which sat from March till June at all important Pacific Coast cities to enquire into the subject of Chinese and Japanese immigration, its effects upon trades and callings in Canada, is fast being transcribed by stenographer Alex. B. Crawford, who accompanied the commission.

"The evidence will make 12,000 folios or 1,200,000 words," he said to-day when asked the extent of it. "That means six volumes of 700 pages each."

He hinted that nothing in the way of an explosive secret is to be expected before the end of September. This will be handed out by the Chief Commissioner R. C. Clute, K.C. The other commissioners were Daniel J. Mann, of New Westminster, B.C., and Christopher Foley of Rossland, R. C.

Mr. Crawford was the only stenographer, and some idea may be had of the demand upon him and his ability when it is admitted by the commissioners that he worked longer and took far more evidence than the two stenographers in the Behring Sea commission.—Toronto Telegram.

## CONTAGION IN SCHOOLS.

From Motherland. Any one who has worked in school-rooms must have been impressed with the fact that the children come into frequent and close personal contact, such as putting their faces together, blowing into each other's faces, sharing their slates and papers and sitting close together.

Common means of contagion are these: Kissing, exchanging handkerchiefs, ribbon, chewing gum, whistles, slate and lead pencils, which are almost always consciously or unconsciously carried to the mouth. Coins also are treated in the same way. Drinking cups, by their common use, often spread disease. School books are ready carriers of contagion. Then also may be mentioned the dangers from overcrowding the school rooms, which leads to the breathing of impure air and the dissemination of germs. Wraps which are not absolutely needed often hang where they dry and are aired in the school room.

The foundation for many cases of pulmonary diseases and chronic invalidism can sometimes be traced to a badly ventilated school room.

## A PLAIN SPOKEN LAIRD.

A story is told of a former Duke of Edinburgh, who invited one of his neighbors, a plain spoken Laird, to stop at his place for luncheon after his return from a long vacation. The Laird was not used to the luxuries of life and watched with an impatient eye the fittings of the liveried servant who seemed to be everywhere at once, anticipating the Laird's wants in a way that struck the rustic as positively uncanny. At last the guest turned deliberately about in his chair and addressed the servant in a tone of considerable irritation: "What are ye dance, dance, dancing about the room for, man?" he demanded. "Can ye no draw in your chair and sit doon? I'm sure there's enough on the table for three."

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## INTERNATIONAL BOUNDARY.

Interesting Letter From One of Canadian Survey Party.

The Chilliwack Progress prints the following interesting letter from Mr. Isaac Henderson, one of the Canadian survey party, by permission of Dr. J. C. Henderson to whom the letter is addressed:

Skagit Creek,  
July 20th, 1901.

My Dear Brother—I drop you a few lines to let you know that I am well. I have done some pretty rough climbing in the last two weeks. We are at present working on the line and camped in a log cabin at Skagit River which stands in the upper portion of the Dowager Empress of China. Italian soldiers engaged in looting broke a hole in the base of the figure and the paper money tumbled out along with gold, silver and brass coins, lentils, rice, rolls of prayers, etc. The note was issued, according to the printing on it, "by the board of revenue of the Emperor Hung Wu in the year 1367" and its value is stated to be "250 taels" (about \$167). It professed to be "redeemable in silver bullion."

Besides being the oldest known piece of paper money this treasury note makes it clear that Gutenberg was not the first user of movable type. The note was clearly printed with movable type at a date over a hundred years before Gutenberg began to experiment. The German printer was born in 1410, long after the use of movable type in China. It is asserted that the Chinese employed movable type as early as the eleventh century. The British museum has a Korean book of 1337. Paper money in China dates back to 140 B.C. or earlier. According to Klaphroth the earlier bills were made of white skin and were a foot square.

ANTIQUITY OF HOUSEBOATS.  
Has Existed Almost as Long as Civilization Itself.

Houseboating has been an aristocratic English institution for more than 100 years. But the idea is older even than that. The houseboat in crude form has existed almost as long as civilization itself. Marco Polo found it in China, and millions of the population of Burma and India are born, live and die in floating habitations which closely resemble the primitive huts of their landmen brothers. The houseboat as we see it in the southernmost waters today—the square-cornered, slow-moving craft which it must be confessed is not always a thing of beauty, though undeniably a joy forever—finds its appearance in the River Thames. It is a concomitant part of the social machinery of Mayfair, as important a factor, indeed, to the pleasure-loving Britisher as is his great house in Portman square, or his ancestral country seat, or his hunting lodge in Scotland, or his yacht off Cowes.

ST. PAUL'S IN DANGER.  
London's Great Cathedral Gives Signs of Collapse.

The scare which New York has had in connection with the Brooklyn bridge has had its counterpart in London in St. Paul's Cathedral, and the public has been startled by the expert announcement that the vast edifice is in danger of collapse.

The enormous wall of the south transept, which is eight or ten feet thick, 130 feet wide and 150 feet high, is showing a number of very alarming breaks, due, it is believed, to the subsidence of the soil, while the west front, with its heavy towers and bays, is also showing unmistakable signs of subsidence.

The soil upon which the cathedral was built was never very good, and the architect, Christopher Wren, took his precautions accordingly. Had the subsoil been left undisturbed these precautions might have sufficed. But not only has the water at the bottom of the sandy stratum beneath the cathedral been tapped, but the hillside on which the cathedral is built is now traversed by deep drains, and by several underground railroads.

It is owing to this that the whole structure is manifesting a disposition to lean toward the river, while the safety of the venerable fissures in the ground due to subsidence. This announcement comes so soon after the fall of a huge mass of stone in Westminster Abbey, due to the destruction by rust of the iron chains by which the stones were fastened in their places hundreds of years ago, has given rise to very serious alarm among the English people with regard to the safety of their two most famous cathedrals.

THE WATER BEETLE.  
From Spectator.

The great carnivorous water beetle, the dytiscus, after catching and eating other creatures all day, with two-minute intervals to come up, pokes the tips of its wings out of the water, and just some air against its spiracles, before descending once more to its subaqueous haunts, and will also come out from the surface of the Thames. His again those horny wing cases, unfold a broad and beautiful pair of gauzy wings, and whirl off on a visit of love and adventure to some distant pond, on to which it descends like a bullet from the air above. When people are sitting in a greenhouse at night with no lamp, talk on smoking, they sometimes hear a smash, as if a pebble had been dropped on the glass from above. It is a dytiscus beetle, whose compound eyes have mistaken the shine of the glass in the moonlight for the gleam of a pond. At night some of the whirling beetles, the shiny beetle creatures seen whirling in incessant circles in corners by the back door, make a quite audible and almost musical sound upon the water.

BARBERS IN DESPAIR.

Following on the fact that he has determined to let his beard grow, the Kaiser has dismissed the imperial barber, who is said to have become impudent, and to have presumed to trade on his supposed friendly relations with the Emperor. German barbers are in despair. If for the fashion of wearing beards will become general and mean a loss of millions of marks to the knights of the razor throughout the German empire.

HIS LIFE WORK DESTROYED.

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## PROVINCIAL PRESS.

Kicking about the mining laws of the province and making comparisons with states to the south are odious. Comparisons so far, have only proved that British Columbia mining laws are all right. Constant changing of the Mineral Acts is detrimental to the mineral industry of the province.—Fort Steele Prospector.

The Mine Owners' Association of British Columbia has prepared a memorial to the Dominion government recommending mining changes in the mining laws of the province and asking for a royal commission to investigate the conditions now prevailing with regard to mining. It is not likely the Dominion government will interfere in matters of purely local concern, and moreover it might not be to the advantage of the mine-owners that many of the changes suggested should take place. In any event the document is now before the people and its merits and defects will be manifest, according to the views of the people who read it.—Nelson Economist.

On another page will be found the gist of the mine bill recently sent to the Dominion government by a few of the mine managers who have held a number of secret sessions at Nelson in the last few months. It is safe to assert that if these same managers had accepted the conditions as presented and put the same energy into working their respective properties, that they have in getting up petitions, the stockholders would be far ahead in the deal. There is little chance of the last effort accomplishing anything.—Phoenix Pioneer.

A peppery sensation is surely in store for the people of British Columbia interested in mines and mining. Bernard McDonald, manager of the Rossland Great Western group of mines, and proprietor of the Rossland Miner, threatens to "tell the truth about the careers of certain of those who now pose as the living embodiment of all things good and just in connection with mining speculation; and in this he is doing what is conceivable what it is to be held up to public scorn and ridicule and very properly ostracized by all who believe in honesty and fair dealing." When rogues quarrel the people will at least get an insight as to how the trick is turned. The mine owners' association is a house divided against itself and will surely fall.—Lardieau Eagle.

The Mine Owners' Association has petitioned the governor-general for relief of the mining industry in British Columbia which is alleged to be overtaxed and hedged about with exasperating and clogging laws. The petition is merely the carrying of the eight-hour difficulty from the province to the arena of federal politics. As touching upon local issues, the governor-general will undoubtedly refer it back to the provincial government to deal with, and that will end the matter. The eight-hour law will not be touched and it is unlikely taxation will be lightened—at least not until such time as bona fide evidence is forthcoming in support of the allegation of the mine owners.—Slocan Drill.

## RUSSIA INNOCENT FOR ONCE.

From the Outlook.

How suspicious all are of Russia! Some years ago one bright June evening the warship was sighted off the coast of Corea. I watched them make the entrance into the outer harbor, all apparently with full steam ahead. Suddenly one stopped and let the others pass. In a set position she hung, steaming madly all day long, with no noticeable change. She did not even turn with the tide; there she stood planted, as though not in water, but on land. The other vessels wheeled about, lowered their boats, and there was great commotion. We learned at night that the Witchius had a rock four feet through the bottom. The crew was landed on an island near-by, and the Far East said: "Ah ha! a trick of Russia to secure a footing in Corea." England came by and said, "By Jove! these rascals are up to something." Japan hurried to "look up" to something. Japan long the Russian fleet struggled with the ill-fated ship, and just when hope of success began to dawn a wild autumn storm struck her and the ship "herself went down by the island crags to be lost forever in the main." The Russians moved away, and the Far East still sometimes asks: "What do you suppose they were after?"

Mr. George Moore, the English novelist, is still in a condition of revolt against the present state of literature in England. He, together with W. B. Yeats, and others, have withdrawn to Dublin, refusing to recognize London as the centre of art and literature of the English speaking people.

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THE PURSUIT OF SCIENCE.

An old Irishman was sitting out in front of his shop, puffing heroically at his pipe. He would light a match and pull and pull, then throw the match away and light another. He continued this performance until the ground around him was strewn with burnt matches.

"Come to dinner Pat," said his wife at the door. "Faith, and Oi will in a minute, Biddy," said he, "Moike has been tellin' me that if Oi smoked a bit av glassy Oi could see spots on the sun. Oi dun know whether Moike has been foolin' me, or whether Oi've got hold by the wrong kind av glass."

Anders Zorn, the famous Swedish artist, threatened, as he put it, to some day present one of his pictures to the St. Louis museum of fine arts. That was when he first visited the city several years ago. The other day the picture arrived. It is a "Portrait of a Woman," and is valued at over \$6,000.

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## PERSONALS.

Mrs. Geo. M. Leishman, and family are going to Vancouver and New Westminster for a few weeks.

Rev. Dr. Macrae and wife have returned from a two weeks' visit to Ontario. They were accompanied from the East by Mrs. Macrae's brother, Mr. J. J. Steele, of Dundas, Ont., who will spend some time visiting friends on the coast during the summer. Rev. Dr. Macrae was a delegate to the recent meeting of the Presbyterian General Assembly.

Frank L. Ferris, a grandson of Ald. Kinsman, and his wife, A. U. Kinsman, of Victoria, of this province, has been appointed commander of the S.S. Pak Shan of the Shaw line of steamers running on the Chinese coast. The many friends of Captain Frank will be heartily pleased to learn that he is still in the heart of his promotion.

Mrs. H. B. Helmick leaves this evening for Southern California.

Geo. McI. Brown, executive agent of the C. P. R., registered at the Drift last evening.

W. L. Fagan, provincial assessor at Vancouver, is at the Drift.

A. R. White, wife and family, of New York, are at the Drift.

J. Waddell, a mining engineer of Kamloops, is a guest at the Drift.

C. W. D. Clifford, M.P.P., leaves tomorrow for the north. He will meet Premier Dunsmuir and his party south of the Skeena and accompany him as far as Hazelton, and probably to Atlin.

James E. Kelly of Dawson is here to purchase machinery, a lot of which he took in.

Mrs. G. L. Howe of Seattle, is here visiting her brother, Stephen Jones of the Dominion hotel. She is accompanied by her daughter, Miss Edie Howe.

M. J. McLean and Mrs. McLean, Portland, Oregon, are staying at the Vernon.

Wm. H. Ladner, of Ladner's Landing, is a guest of the Dominion.

Paul Gilmour, Esq., is registered at the Victoria.

G. Kirkman, Walla Walla, is at the Victoria.

H. C. Frazer and wife, Boston, are guests at the Dominion.

Sebastien Mount Sleker, is at the Queen's Hotel.

H. C. Bedlington and H. Bedlington, Toronto, are at the Vernon.

B. W. Kimball, Seattle, is staying at the Victoria.

D. Morrison, Toronto, is at the Vernon.

Mrs. J. Marshall and Miss Marshall, London, England, are staying at the Dominion.

P. Fletcher, Ottawa, is staying at the Dominion.

J. L. Morris, St. Louis, is at the Victoria.

P. Kitching, Redlands, Cal., is a guest at the Dominion.

A. S. Hitchcock, Washington, D. C., is staying at the Victoria.

J. Williams, Port Renfrew is at the Queen's Hotel.

## PASSENGERS.

Passengers per steamer Charmer from Vancouver: Mr. Bevans, Miss E. Porter, H. A. Miller, W. H. McMillan, F. C. Hartill, Mrs. Lindsay, Dr. C. McMillan, T. J. Trap, Wm. Riley, N. Mahn, Mrs. A. Heron, Miss Heron, Geo. King H. E. Fraser, Miss M. Miller, G. Wallace, Mrs. Fisher, Miss Ward, G. W. Smith, A. B. McMillan, Mrs. Marshall, Mrs. Dornan, C. Douglas, H. Thriston, A. Reeve, Mrs. Hayes, Clyde Overholt, Miss A. Walker, R. J. Sparling, G. McI. Brown, C. W. Clifford, Paul Malmstrom, W. McMillan, Captain, Mrs. Mrs. Mrs. Wolfe, A. Parikh, Architect, Prentreath, W. Duncan, Mrs. Rae, Knight, J. Gallagher, H. Mitchell, H. Brackman, J. S. Thompson, Capt. H. Charlton, Mrs. Hart, Mrs. Burns, W. L. Clark, Mrs. Clark, F. Dykes, Mrs. McLaughlin, Miss McLaughlin, A. Klinehus, A. S. Hockock, O. Swanson, C. W. Churchill, Mrs. H. C. W. Churchill, Mrs. Wm. Kelly, Bruce, Ruth, Miss Bruce, Ruth, Mrs. Whitney, Miss E. N. Whitney, Miss L. Whitney, Roy Whitney, Mrs. T. Blythe, R. H. Fulton.

Passengers per steamer Rosalie from the Sound: T. H. Grennue, Z. Whetstone, Miss Smith, Miss Reid Smith, Mrs. Ward, J. W. Miller, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Mrs. Leslie, Mrs. Davis, Mrs. Smith, Mrs. Mrs. Davis, W. L. Clark, Mrs. Clark, F. Dykes, Mrs. McLaughlin, Miss McLaughlin, A. Klinehus, A. S. Hockock, O. Swanson, C. W. Churchill, Mrs. H. C. W. Churchill, Mrs. Wm. Kelly, Bruce, Ruth, Miss Bruce, Ruth, Mrs. Whitney, Miss E. N. Whitney, Miss L. Whitney, Roy Whitney, Mrs. T. Blythe, R. H. Fulton.

Passenger per steamer Uttopa from the Sound: H. C. Bannister, Mrs. Bannister, and wife, Joe, Delmon, J. W. Mohrley, Mrs. Mohrley, Master Mohrley, J. T. Garner, Miss Matland, Mrs. Iris Ariss, Mrs. Kitching, Geo. Penza, C. A. West, E. B. Kitching, W. C. McMillan, Mrs. McMillan, Mrs. Carter, Mrs. McMillan, A. P. Kitching, Mrs. Messer, Mrs. Goldsmith, Miss McMillan, J. Pleskoster, Mrs. Pleskoster, Miss Paul, Jas. Blythe, R. H. Fulton.

Passenger per steamer Uttopa from the Sound: C. F. Taylor, E. G. Price, F. D. Ross, A. C. Prior, Capt. Mrs. Peter McQuade & Son, J. A. Sayward.

CONSIGNEES.

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### THE WEATHER.

Meteorological Office, Victoria, Aug. 6-8 p.m.  
SYNOPSIS.—The pressure has fallen again over British Columbia, but remains high on the American coast. An extensive area of high barometer covers the Pacific coast and extends to Nevada, extending a trough of low pressure. No rain has fallen today except light showers at Winnipeg and a thunderstorm at Salt Lake City. Temperatures have been high in the Rockies, but only moderate in the North Rockies. The weather generally has been exceedingly fine.

#### TEMPERATURE.

	Min.	Max.
Victoria	54	82
New Westminster	54	82
Kamloops	54	84
Calgary	46	64
Winnipeg	62	90
Penticton	54	62
San Francisco	54	62

#### FORECASTS.

For 24 hours from 5 a.m. (Pacific time), Tuesday: Victoria and Vicinity: Light or moderate winds, slightly southerly, continuing east and west, and gradually subsiding Thursday. Low Mainland: Light or moderate winds, fine and warm today and probably Thursday.

VICTORIA DAILY RECORD.

Report for 24 hours ending 5 p.m., observations taken daily at 5 p.m., noon and 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, AUG. 6.

Deg. TUESDAY, AUG. 6.

5 a.m. 56 Mean..... 66

Noon..... 71 Highest..... 78

5 p.m. 51 Lowest..... 50

The velocity and direction of the wind were as follows:

5 a.m. Calm.

Noon..... 1 miles south.

5 p.m. 1 miles south.

Average state of weather—Clear.

Sunshine—13 hours.

Barometer at noon—Observed..... 30.010

Corrected..... 30.000

NEW WESTMINSTER.

Barometer at 5 p.m.—Corrected..... 29.94

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VICTORIA TIDES.

For the Month of August, 1901.

(Issued by the Tidal Survey Branch of the Department of the Marine and Fisheries, Ottawa.)

The zero of the accompanying scale corresponds to the average lowest yearly tide, and the above the 2nd. all of the Eustatic Mean Dry Deck.

The time used is Pacific Standard for the 120 meridian west. It is counted from 0 to 24 hours, from midnight to midnight.

The height is in feet and tenths of a foot.

THE FIRST TELEPHONE.

The Invention First Used at Brantford Ontario.

It is exactly twenty-six years since I put up my first telephone.

At that time I was visiting at my father's house in Brantford—a small city in Ontario, Canada. We obtained the permission of the Canadian government to use a telephone line four miles long that extended from Brantford to a neighboring village.

We put up our apparatus in a friend's house, kindly loaned for the purpose, and as it was over half a mile from the telephone line we were obliged to leave the house.

No additional telegraph wire was available, so what do you think we used? You could never guess. We could find nothing in the hardware stores but stove-pipe wire, and we had to buy up all the stovepipe wire in Brantford to make our line long enough.

We did not trouble to put up posts, but tacked the wire to the fence. The communication that took place over this first telephone wire was not a conversation, but a monologue, as we had the transmitter only at one end and the receiver at the other.

In this way the first message was sent over the telephone, and I have been told that Brantford calls itself the "Telephone City" ever since. That was in 1875.

A short time afterwards Mr. Charles Williams, of Boston, strung a telephone wire from his office in Boston to his house in Cambridgeport, a distance of two miles. This was the first telephone wire to be permanently erected. Since those small beginnings, what amazing progress has been made! Do you know that there are nearly two million miles of telephone wires in the United States alone?

These wires were fastened together they would encircle the earth eighty times. The total number of telephone calls in this country last year was 1,820,000,000. At the rate of one cent per call, this would amount to enough pennies to form a double row around the globe, and there would be enough left over to make three rows across the Atlantic.

And all this has been accomplished in a single generation.

I have recently been traveling through Norway and Sweden, and I was surprised to note the wonderful progress made by the telephone in those countries. In proportion to the population there are more telephones in Norway and Sweden than in any other country, even in America.

The next great step in the improvement of the telephone will be wireless telephony. This is not an inventor's dream. It has already been done across short distances.

In the immediate future it will be made practical for social and commercial purposes.—Prof. A. Graham Bell, in New York World.

(Mrs. Jones—What's your hurry? You are not off for the seashore now?)

Mrs. Smith—No, not until tomorrow. I'm going down town now.

Mrs. Jones—Shopping?

Mrs. Smith—No, I haven't time for that; there's so many things I simply have to buy.—Philadelphia Press.

Since there is complaint that the wages paid to women are small and their sphere limited, it is suggested that some of them who are complaining try housekeeping.

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### Foreigners

With This Inscription on Their Flag Thousands of Rebels Take the Field.

The Chinese Court Sends Troops To Meet the Insurgents... in Chi-li.

The rising of the Lien-chuan-hui is assuming most grave proportions, according to news brought by the Queen Adelaide and news is given that the Chinese plenipotentiaries have received orders from the Throne to entrust the duty of quelling the insurgents to Governor Yung Shin-shai and another general, and that these two officers are making preparations to despatch a force for the purpose. Tien Loehsing, the chief of the Lien-chuan-hui is said to be a man of considerable literary distinction, and the insurgents are supposed to be acting in collusion with Liu Tien-ling in Hsian and Tung Fu-shang in Kiang-su. In fact many of Tung's soldiers are said to be enrolled in the Union's ranks. The flags of the Lien-chuan-hui bear the legend "Save China; expel the foreigner."

"After each succeeding trip," said he to your correspondent, "I marvelled at the increasing value of our properties, but the culminating surprise of all was reserved for this year. My fondest anticipations of the success of our smelting operations have been more than realized. Whilst standing before No. 1 furnace in the reduction works the other night I was informed by the foreman that the molten stream I saw pouring out had been running continuously from the day the smelter blew up, then with the exception of a close down during the holidays July 1 and 2, with the object of making supposed needed repairs. On examination, however, it was found that the furnace was as good as ever and that it did not require re-lining. This, I believe, breaks all records for copper smelting, the furnace having been in operation continuously for nearly a year with the exception referred to. Consequently I was not surprised to learn that the plant in this period had treated over 188,000 tons of ore. With the addition of the two additional furnaces and the converter now being installed, the enlarged plant will have a total capacity of over 1,300 tons a day. One result of smelting is certain to accomplish success. Mr. Hodges, the superintendent, has certainly not overlooked a detail wherein economies in handling these soft-fluxing ores could be accomplished, and he is entitled to all the credit he is receiving from metallurgists throughout the country.

The Imperial Court, having been convinced, it is said, that Tung Fu-shang is actually moving towards Hsian with rebellious aims, has taken measures to check his progress. The guards available in Hsian, however, are not sufficient for the purpose, and a levy of troops has been invited, with the result that great numbers have flocked from Shensi and Honan to answer the call, and some fifteen or sixteen battalions have been organized. There is a difficulty, however, about arming these troops, and the business of the moment is to collect weapons wherever they can be found.

The Queen Adelaide also brought news that General Gribeksi, the military governor of Blagoevetschensk and districts, committed suicide recently as he was approaching the above city on his return from St. Petersburg.

General Gribeksi was in charge of Blagoevetschensk in August, 1900, when that city was attacked by Chinese bandits from Aigun, who from the opposite side of the Amur fired on the Russian city. The presence of their midst of large body of peaceful Chinese was regarded by the Russians as a grave and imminent danger, and instructions were asked from St. Petersburg.

The now historic telegram "Fling Chinese across Amur" was wired from St. Petersburg, and during the temporary absence of General Gribeksi, the message was literally interpreted by the Chief of Police, whose bloodthirsty Cossacks gathered the Chinese together, to burn them alive.

Another chapter of surprises awaited me at Phoenix, where I was conducted through the Knob Hill and Old Ironsides and Victoria, by W. Yoder Williams, the superintendent.

"I could scarcely realize the extent of the development work accomplished within the last year, and am surprised to learn that there are millions of tons of ore in sight, and there is enough ore blocked back to keep our enlarged smelter plant busy for years without doing another foot of development. I can scarcely describe my sensations when I walked through one stop in the Knob Hill 600 feet long and 30 feet high, a working that is unsupported by a single timber.

"Similar sights greeted the eye in the other mines. The underground workings are nearly three miles in extent and yet the enterprise is only in its infancy. I can foresee the period, and that at no distant date, when our output will equal, if not surpass, that of any group on the continent, and in no other place in the world can be witnessed the actual quarrying of gold-copper ore on the surface. Two shafts or 'shotes' holes connect the surface with the Knob Hill tunnel. The ore dis-intergrated on top is thrown down these holes and is then drawn out of the tunnel to the dumps. Ere long a train will run into one of these excavations in the ledge, and cars will be loaded with little cost.

After referring to the rapid growth of Grand Forks and Phoenix, Mr. Williams has been issued from Hsian calling upon the Chinese ministers in Europe and America to send in the names of any students in their respective countries who are graduated in foreign languages and have of sound constitution. It is the intention of the court to make a selection of such persons for official employment.

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